

2019 Minor Boys Rules
Harlan/Hoagland/Monroeville/Woodburn

1. The home team must supply one new DLL-1 (or equivalent) game ball.
The visiting team will supply one good ball for backup.
2. Baselines will be 60 feet, with pitching rubbers set at 46 feet.
3. 1 hour and 45 minute time limit per game. For the purposes of time, the next inning begins at the time of the third out in the bottom of the previous inning. No new inning shall be started after the time limit has expired unless the game is tied. In which case one inning will be played to break the tie. If the game is still tied after one extra inning, then that game will be rescheduled and resumed from the point where the game stopped. If however there is not a game scheduled after the tied game (or if it is the last game of the night) the game may be played out for up to two and half hours, until the tie is broken. If the game is still tied after two and half hours the game will be rescheduled and resume from the point at which the game stopped.
4. A team must have a minimum of eight (8) players to start and (9) players by the beginning of the 2nd inning or the game will be declared a forfeit. If needed, teams may bring up players from the 8U Prep leagues. Using players from another minor team is not allowed. **Call ups can not pitch
5. There is a 15 run rule after 4 innings, and a 10 run rule after 5 innings.
6. The infield fly rule does not apply to the minor boy's league.
7. The "dropped third strike" rule will not apply to this league.
8. Eight runs or three out, (whichever comes first), will constitute the end of an inning.
There will be unlimited runs in the last inning, and will be determined and agreed upon by the umpires and coaches before the start of said inning.
If regular game time expires prior to umpire announcing last inning, game is complete.
9. One (1) official pitch will constitute one (1) official inning.
10. Pitchers are allowed to pitch three innings per game and a total of six innings in a calendar week, (Monday – Sunday). Pitched innings limit will stand regardless of make up games.
Six innings pitched per week, and nine per tournament.
11. The coach may go to the mound. The pitcher must be replaced on a coach's second trip to the mound in the same inning, and third time in the game. Once a pitcher has been pulled he may not return to the game as a pitcher.
12. There are no balks in minor league.
13. Base runners may steal any base but not until after the pitched ball has crossed home plate. Base runners may not steal while the pitcher has control of the ball on the mound with one foot on the rubber. If runner is committed to next base, approximately half way (umps discretion) before the pitcher reaches the rubber, runner may proceed to steal next base.
Lead offs are not permitted. Team will receive warning for first offense and runner will be returned to base they were stealing from. 2nd team warning for lead off or Harlan/Woodburn/Hoagland Minor Boys Rules 2013 (Revised 12/07/12) - Minor Boys leaving early will result in the runner called out.

14. Runners must slide into the base if there is a play. Intentionally running over or into other players is not permitted! For the safety of the players, head first sliding is not allowed when advancing to a base, but is when diving back to base.
15. Each player is required to play three (3) full innings of defense and bat once in a full six inning game. Minor boys will bat through the roster.
Teams will play with ten players on the field with six infield and four outfield.
With the exception of the pitcher, there will be free substitutions when teams are on defense.
16. There is a no slash rule. The batter may not square to bunt or “show bunt”, pull back and then take a full swing. If this occurs the batter will be out.
17. The batter will be warned for throwing the bat. The second infraction of the same player will result in the batter being declared out and all runners being returned to their previous bases.
18. USA stamped big barrels bats are allowed. Barrel size and drop weight are not a factor.
2 1/4 bats are still allowed. (2019 Amendment)

***All bats to be used in the game will be lined up along the fence at the beginning of the game for umpire inspection.
***Big barrel bats without the USA stamp will be grounds for coach and player ejection.
19. If a player leaves the game as injured and an out occurs because of batting order, then that player’s team will not be charged an out. The injured player will be replaced by the last recorded out for that team.
20. First and second place league and tournament trophies (or other awards) only, will be awarded.
League standings are based on the following: team’s overall record, head to head record, defensive runs allowed, offensive runs allowed.
Coaches are responsible for reporting game scores to the division representative or “rep”.
The division rep will gather and maintain standings for tournament seeding. (2019 Revision)
These standings are only against teams in that league.
21. There will be no “coaches’ option” in regards to these rules!